

**AGENCY REQUEST FOR
STATE BUILDING COMMISSION ACTION
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AGENCY: Department of Health Services

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LOCATION: Statewide

PROJECT REQUEST:

Request release of \$75,000 Building Trust Funds – Planning to prepare preliminary plans and a design report for the DHS Radio Upgrade project. The focus of the preliminary planning will be to identify space and infrastructure (power, communications, mechanical and security) at each site and to confirm that the new radio hardware and pricing already identified is sufficient in scope and budget.

PROJECT NUMBER: 13G1D

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

This project will replace the existing analog radio systems at Mendota Mental Health Institute (MMHI), Central Wisconsin Center (CWC), Sand Ridge Secure Treatment Center (SRSTC), and Southern Wisconsin Center (SWC). The existing analog equipment will be replaced with digital systems that will be compatible with the Wisconsin Interoperable System for Communications (WISCOM).

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION:

This project is needed to assure the safety and security of patients and clients, staff, and the public in the case of an incident involving these DHS facilities by providing secure and reliable communications with facility personnel and emergency responders. The current analog radio systems are no longer supported by the manufacturer and spare parts are not readily available. In addition, the existing radio systems are not compatible with the existing WISCOM system. Due to areas of limited coverage and the lack of interagency compatibility, current radios no longer meet the standard set for by the Joint Commission for accreditation.

The new digital radio systems will allow more complete coverage across the entire institutions. Selecting hardware and infrastructure that is compatible with WISCOM will allow DHS facilities to communicate with other government agencies during routine or emergency incidents.

BUDGET AND SCHEDULE:

Construction	TBD	SBC Approval	Apr 2014
Design	TBD	A/E Selection	Oct 2013
DFD Mgt	TBD	Design Report	Feb 2014
Contingency	TBD	Bid Opening	Jun 2014
Equip	0	Start Construction	July 2014
Other Fees	0	Substantial Completion	May 2015
TOTAL	\$3,517,000	Final Completion	Sep 2015

PREVIOUS ACTION:

None